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COPS ON TRIAL

Waiting for justice

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Demonstrators attended a rally for Jordan Edwards last spring at the Frank Crowley Courts Building in Dallas. Edwards, a 15-year-old freshman at Mesquite High School, was fatally shot by Balch Springs police Officer Roy Oliver, who faces a murder trial.

More area police officers are facing criminal charges, but convictions remain a rarity

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A Garland police officer fired 41 shots into a car, killing the driver after a high-speed chase.

A Dallas cop chased a bicyclist off-road before striking and killing the man with his patrol car.

Both officers were fired and indicted on criminal charges. Both went to trial. Neither went to jail.

Even as indictments rise and firings are upheld, police officers are likely to be cleared in the courts.

Three cases against fired police officers are set for trial in December and January in Dallas. A fourth case ended in a plea agreement this month.

That includes the murder trial of fired Balch Springs Officer Roy Oliver, who made national news last spring when he fired his patrol rifle into a

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AT A GLANCE

Facing felony charges

Ken Johnson, 37, is charged with murder in the fatal shooting of 16-year-old Jose Raul Cruz in March 2016. He is also charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in the wounding of Edgar Rodriguez, who was also 16. Johnson's trial is set to begin Dec. 11.

Amy Wilburn, 52, is charged with aggravated assault by a public servant in the shooting of a passenger in a stolen car in December 2013. Kelvion Walker was unarmed when he was shot and was not charged in the carjacking.

Roy Oliver, 38, is charged with murder in the shooting of 15-year-old Jordan Edwards in April. He is also charged with four counts of aggravated assault by a public servant in connection with firing his patrol rifle into the car containing Jordan and four other teens. He is charged with two counts of aggravated assault in an unrelated road-rage incident weeks before Jordan was killed.

RUSSIA HACKING PROBE

Few targets notified by FBI

Agency overwhelmed, source says; ex-intelligence official says that's no excuse

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON — The hackers' targets: The former head of cybersecurity for the U.S. Air Force. An ex-director at the National Security Council. A former head of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

All were caught up in a Russian government-aligned cyberespionage campaign. None was warned by the FBI.

The bureau repeatedly failed to alert targets of the Russian hacking group known as Fancy Bear despite knowing for more than a year that their personal emails were in the Kremlin's sights, an Associated Press investigation has found.

"No one's ever said to me, 'Hey Joe, you've been targeted by this Russian group,'" said former Navy intelligence officer Joe Mazzafro, whose inbox the hackers tried to compromise in 2015. "That our own security services have not gone out and alerted me, that's what I find the most disconcerting as a national security professional."

The FBI declined to discuss its investigation into Fancy Bear's spying campaign, but it did provide a statement that said in part: "The FBI routinely notifies individuals and organizations of potential

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TAX OVERHAUL

Plan could hit grad students

GOP's House bill includes taxing tuition break many get for teaching, research

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WASHINGTON — The laboratory. Class. More lab time. Homework. Mentoring several freshman students. More lab work. More homework. Helping run a student government group. More time in the lab.

That's a typical week for University of Texas at Austin graduate student Samantha Fuchs, whose pursuit of a Ph.D. in engineering earns her a $20,000-plus stipend and a waiver of tuition.

But the House GOP tax bill could upset that balancing act by starting to tax the tuition break that Fuchs and tens of thousands of other graduate

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Dallas Mavericks head coach Rick Carlisle passes an ad for FanDuel, a fantasy sports betting website that has lobbied for legalization in Texas.

U.S. SUPREME COURT

Long odds for sports betting

If decision left in states' hands, chances in Texas aren't good

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WASHINGTON — A case before the U.S. Supreme Court next month could overturn the federal law that bans sports gambling in most states, a ruling that could mean big bucks for Texas' economy — if Lone Star State officials expanded gambling.

The case, Christie vs. NCAA, stems from attempts by New Jersey to reform its sports betting laws and boost its casino and horse racing industries. But the state has been at odds with the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act, or PASPA, which barred states from enacting sports betting

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CONGRESS

Leaders feel pressure to act on harassment

Once-resistant Conyers gives up leadership post on Judiciary Committee

FROM WIRE REPORTS

The Associated Press

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., settled a sexual harassment complaint brought by a former staffer in 2015.

WASHINGTON — Congressional leaders are under mounting pressure to respond swiftly to sexual misconduct allegations involving prominent members, following an outcry from women lawmakers who believe their male colleagues are being treated more gently than offenders in the private sector.

"If you look, the media and corporate America has been firing people," Rep. Barbara Comstock, R-Va., said Sunday on ABC's *This Week*, noting the swift dismissal by CBS and PBS of Charlie Rose after *The Washington Post*'s report of harassment allegations. "We have to have the same kind of standards."

In recent days, both parties have faced allegations against prominent male members, with ethics inquiries into harassment opened against Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich, and Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn. The political future of Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, was thrown into question when nude photos of the congressman surfaced on social media, and a former girlfriend said he had threatened to report her to the Capitol Police if she exposed his behavior.

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METRO & STATE

TV crew documenting exonerees' lives

A crew is documenting the daily lives of three wrongly convicted Dallas men as CBS develops a television show based on their new lives after decades behind bars. **1B**

Also: Texas on the hunt to stop deer disease. **1B**

NATION & WORLD

Nationalist fervor sweeps through Iran

After years of cynicism, Iran's urban middle classes have been swept up in a wave of nationalist fervor. **5A**

FBI sees spike in gun background checks

Guns were Black Friday must-haves, going by the FBI's record 203,086 background-check requests. **2A**

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